

## LOCAL NEWS.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 24

For this section, call on Wednesday and Thursday, either north or south of the city.

**CHRISTMAS**, that most joyous of all festivals, is again upon us, bringing with it blessed memories, spiritual and social. That it may prove a truly enjoyable occasion to all is the earnest wish of the GAZETTE. Nearly nineteen centuries have elapsed since angelic chorists broke the silence of that memorable night to announce the birth of the Great Redeemer and to proclaim "Peace on earth, good will to men." In entering upon the anniversary of that world, let the spirit that caused the morning stars at creation's dawn to sing together, and all the Sons of God to shout for joy, animate and inspire us with a true conception of the day we celebrate. It is the anniversary of the birth of the Messiah, the Great Deliverer, which is here again a time when joy should enter each heart and when false, selfish, vain and all other unholy passions should be eliminated from the soul, when ecclesiastical preferences should be waived, and every endeavor used to gadden the hearts of all, especially of those whose trust centers in the one Great God. Christmas, a season when we feel privileged to lay aside the trammels of life in order to enjoy a real flow of soulful gathering around festive boards with those near and dear, or meeting in assemblies of friends, where the fiction of intercourse gives birth to the yearning conversation which exalts the heart and health. Let us hope the convivial propensities of none will run riot with their reason, but let all things be done decently and in order. "There is a time for all things," said one whose wisdom is proverbial, and "use not your reason," the munificence of our Father is of course, innocent. Hence, let us remember that in celebrating the birth of the Prince of Peace, everything favoring intemperance in eating or drinking should be avoided, and nothing countenanced or indulged in that would bring the blush of shame to our cheeks were He a participant in our festivities as He was at the wedding in Cana of Galilee.

**HOLIDAY**—Christmas is the one day more generally observed as a holiday in the South than any other festival of the year, and in Alexandria this is particularly the case.

The schools have already begun their holiday, the banks, government and municipal offices will be closed, there will be no meeting of change, but little will be done at the railroad offices, work at the manufacturing will cease, and stores, &c., will be closed. The telephone office will keep Sunday hours and at the postoffice the following hours will be observed; viz, open at 8:30 a. m., and close at 10 a. m. Carriers will make collections at 6:30 p. m. and 8 p. m., and one delivery at 8 a. m. No one in this city will work to-morrow, and will be compelled to do so, and there will be but few who will not so arrange their affairs as to lay aside for a time at least the cares of life to devote such time to their pleasure. And that they should do so is right and proper, for it is the anniversary of the birth of Him who came to bring peace on earth and good will toward men. No occasion has greater inspiration or more sacred interest than this, no measurement of time bears so plainly the impress of the sun and shadows of human life. The birth of the deliverer of the human race, the mysterious link connecting the transcendent and incomprehensible attributes of duty with human sympathies and affections, is considered the most glorious event of history and the most worthy of being revered and joyously commemorated. So the day being a royal holiday and being as observed throughout the Christian world, everyone who can should enjoy it to the fullest extent and endeavor at the same time to assist the less fortunate and minister to the wants of the needy.

**CHURCH SERVICES**—To-morrow Christmas services will be held at the various churches as follows:

St. Mary's at 6 and 10 a. m.  
St. Paul's, Christ and Grace at 11 a. m.  
M. E. Church South, Trinity M. E. and M. P. Churches at 6 a. m.  
German Lutheran at 10 a. m.  
In all the churches music suitable for the occasion will be rendered. At St. Paul's church the choir will be composed as follows: The solo quartette—Mrs. Blanche Backley, soprano; Miss Florence Evans, alto; Mr. Frank Field, tenor, and Mr. Geo. H. Evans, bass—will be assisted by Misses Alice Green and Carrie Evans, sopranos; Mrs. D. E. Hey and Miss Mistle Kipstein, altos; B. L. Jacobs, tenor, and Wm. Miller, bass. Organist, Mr. Sherman B. Fowler.  
At St. Mary's Church, at the solemn high mass at 6 o'clock, Bishop's mass in G will be sung by the following: Soprano, Mrs. Monroe, and Miss Donnell; alto, Mrs. Hey; tenor, Mr. McKee; and Washington, bass, Mr. Huffy; organist, Mr. J. M. Monroe.

**AN UNPROVOKED ASSAULT**—About two o'clock this afternoon Harry Posa went into Mr. Thomas Brent's store, on Prince street, near Patrick, and borrowed a dollar of the proprietor. After receiving the money Posa left the store, but returned later under the pretense of having lost the money and asked for it. While Mr. Brent had his attention directed to some matter connected with his business, Posa picked up a butcher's cleaver and dealt Mr. Brent several savage blows on the head before the latter could defend himself, but Mr. G. W. Brent, a brother of the assaulted man, came in the store just as Posa was in the act of inflicting another blow, and grasping with the assailant disarmed and threw him into the street. Posa was subsequently arrested. Mr. Brent was attended by Dr. Kipstein, who pronounced his injuries serious, though not necessarily fatal.

**PERSONAL**—Mr. D. J. Howell, of Washington city, civil engineer, was in town last week. He was busy engaged in planning the subdivision of the lands of the Charleston Mining, Manufacturing and Improvement Company. His able and principal assistant, Mr. D. F. Taylor, has completed the boundaries of an on Saturday began laying out the subdivision of the ground as approved by the company. This week Mr. Howell has transferred from his Washington office two experienced parties for this work and it will be pushed to a speedy completion.—Charleston, W. Va. Free Press.

Messrs. Benjamin H. and Lettwin W. Swain, the former editor of the Windsor, N. C. Ledger, and the latter composer on the New York Science, have arrived to spend Christmas in the city of their nativity.

**POLICE REPORT**—Last night was clear and cold with six prisoners and no lodgers at the station house.

The Mayor this morning dispensed of the following cases:

James Phillips, for being drunk and disorderly, was fined \$2.50 or given 30 days in jail.

Virginia Meade and Georganna Lucas, for being drunk and disorderly, were fined \$2.50 each.

Henry Little, colored, for stealing railroad iron, was sent to jail for 10 days.

Samuel Lamb, for an assault on his wife, was fined \$5 or given 30 days in jail.

Henry Mason and Susan Mason, both colored, for disorderly conduct, were fined \$1.50 each.

**WEDDINGS**—One of the prettiest weddings ever witnessed in this city was that of Mr. J. B. Birrell and Miss Lillian Proctor, which took place at the M. P. Church last night. Rev. W. M. Polak officiating. The church was decorated with ferns and flowers. At 8 o'clock the bridal couple reached the church, and on entering the door was preceded to the altar by Miss Grace Nelson, as bridesmaid, on the arm of Prof. John L. Proctor, the former a cousin, and the latter a brother of the bride, followed by the ushers. The bride was dressed in a London smoke henrietta cloth dress, and the groom in a four-button cutaway suit. The ushers were Messrs. John Mulhead and Edward Daniels, of Washington, and H. W. Stanton and Geo. H. Hayden, of this city, who were dressed in Prince Albert suits. After the wedding about 150 persons assembled at Good Templars' Hall, where a beautiful banquet had been prepared for the numerous friends of the bride and groom. Among those in attendance were a number of relatives and friends from Washington and Baltimore. Mr. and Mrs. Birrell were the recipients of numerous handsome presents.

Mr. Edward Owens and Miss E. Hardy were married at the residence of the First Baptist Church last night by Rev. I. M. Mercer. A reception was held at the home of the groom and was attended by a host of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Owens.

**SUNDAY SCHOOLS CELEBRATIONS**—St. Paul's and Christ Church Sunday schools held their Christmas celebrations on 5 o'clock this evening; that of Grace Church took place at 6:30 this evening; the German Lutheran at 7 p. m. to-morrow; Second Presbyterian on Friday at 7:30 p. m.; Lee-street Church on Friday at 5 o'clock; M. E. Church on Friday at 7:30 p. m. on Friday; Trinity M. E. Church and the Baptist Church on Monday at 7:30 p. m.

**DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT**—The Alexandria Dramatic Club gave an entertainment at Phil's Hall last night. A large and fashionable audience was present, and all enjoyed the entertainment. The comedy selected was "Toodles," and the young ladies and gentlemen in the cast acquitted themselves most creditably. The acting of Miss Marian Civalier as Mrs. Toodles, Miss Lucy Ramsay as Mary, Mr. Wm. Waller as George Acorn and Mr. G. H. Norton as L. W. Gibbs was admirable.

**LOCAL REEVITIES**

No paper will be issued from this office to-morrow—Christmas Day.

Remember the poor.

A merry Christmas to all.

The market will be open for a few hours to-morrow morning.

There has not been so much horn-blowing this Christmas as usual.

The principals and many of the teachers of the public schools were presented with handsome Christmas gifts by their pupils yesterday.

The streets presented a more lively appearance to-day than on any day during the holiday, and most of the merchants were kept busy.

A broom-sweep field across the river was set on fire about dark last night, and the fire, which spread rapidly and destroyed some fencing, attracted attention in this city.

Dr. Brown's address before Lee Camp on the subject of the Heric Conduct of the Women of the Southern Confederacy will be delivered on January 5th and not July 5th, as before stated.

Mr. J. V. Hutton, whose illness has before been mentioned, died in Washington yesterday evening. He was a son of the late Geo. Hutton and had many friends in this city. Mr. Hutton was at the time in charge of the Virginia Midland road-house and was subsequently employed at Porter's Brewery.

Testimony in the Ward-Adler murder case was concluded in Washington yesterday and arguments begun.

The complaint of the non-receipt of the GAZETTE by the city authorities on the increase and come from all directions.

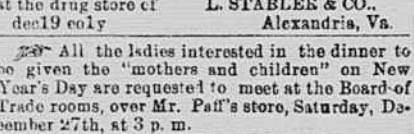
The number of Christmas packages sent from the post office in this city during the past few days far exceed the number sent any previous year.

Mr. J. W. Mero, of Fairfax county, has killed during the past six weeks on his father's farm one large owl and five hawks, one of the latter measuring 3 feet 10 inches from tip to tip.

The pupils of the Potomac Academy yesterday presented the principal with a handsome set of the "Waterbury Novels," bound in twelve volumes. They also gave the assistant a very pretty present.

Marriage licenses were issued in Washington yesterday to Minnie M. Moore, of St. Louis county, and Lida S. Hunt, Wm. E. Ryan and Malinda Banks both of King George county; Fench H. Lee of Gloucester county, and Eliza J. Lewis, of Spotsylvania county, and to James Latham and Sarah A. Courtney, both of Alexandria.

The Atlantic Coast Line, which is the important link between Washington and Florida, yesterday purchased at public sale the property at the north-east corner of S. K. street and Pennsylvania avenue and it is the intention to erect a fine building for general office. The price paid was \$61,000.



LEXINGTON, VA., Jan. 17, 1890.

Mr. A. K. Hawks:

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Respectfully,  
FITCHBURG LEE,  
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These famous lenses adjusted to defective vision at the drug store of J. STABLE & CO., dec19 eoly Alexandria, Va.

All the ladies interested in the dinner to be given the "mothers and children" on New Year's Day are requested to meet at the Board of Trade rooms, over Mr. Paul's store, Saturday, December 27th, at 3 p. m.

**CHRISTMAS GOODS.**

50 dozen cans Houston Tomatoes.  
25 Sugar Corn.  
30 gallons home-made Chow Chow, in quart and pint jars.  
30 gallons home-made Chop Pickle.  
10 boxes California Raisins.  
10 " Valencia do.  
10 " Florida Oranges (fancy).  
10 lb's Apples (fancy).  
1 lb. Mol's Champagne Claret.  
3 lb's Malaga Grapes.  
5 doz. Dried Peaches, 25c.  
6 " Pie 15c.  
50 dozen Andrews Toilet Soap, 45c per dozen.  
Cranberries, and a full line of new goods suitable for the holidays.  
9 bbl's fine large Potomac Shad.  
Fresh Meats and Vegetables of all kinds.

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In 'ols to suit.

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**A JAPANESE HANDKERCHIEF** performed with Opera Cologne given to each customer (dec22) J. D. H. LUNT'S.

**FANCY CAPE COD CRANES** (B's) received (dec22) December 22, 1890, by J. C. MILBURN.

## MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

**NEW YORK, Dec. 24.**—The stock market this morning differed in no particular from those of the preceding days, and the same dullness with slight fluctuations and the same pressure of short stocks on a limited market, caused fractional depression in the few stocks which showed any animation. The market displayed no special feature and late in the hour some recovery from the lowest figure was made. At 11 o'clock the market was dull but firm, generally at slight fraction under the opening prices.

## Wholesale Prices of Produce in Alexandria

Flour, fine.....	\$2.75	@	3.25
Superfine.....	3.25	@	3.50
Family.....	4.00	@	4.25
Fancy brands.....	4.85	@	5.25
Wheat, Longberry.....	5.25	@	6.00
Fultz.....	0.90	@	1.00
Mixed.....	0.90	@	0.97
Fair Wheat.....	0.90	@	0.94
Damp and soft.....	0.70	@	0.90
Corn, white.....	0.53	@	0.56
Yellow.....	0.53	@	0.56
Mixed.....	0.53	@	0.55
Corn Meal.....	0.57	@	0.59
Rye.....	0.60	@	0.62
Oats.....	0.35	@	0.40
Butter, cream to molding.....	0.10	@	0.14
Eggs.....	0.23	@	0.25
Spring Chickens.....	0.9	@	1.0
Live Chickens (hens).....	0.7	@	0.8
Dressed Turkeys, drawn.....	0.13	@	0.14
drawn.....	0.12	@	0.13
Veal Calves.....	0.25	@	0.35
Irish Potatoes per bush.....	0.60	@	0.85
Onions.....	1.50	@	1.75
Apples per bbl.....	4.00	@	6.00
Dried Peaches, peeled.....	0.20	@	0.25
" " unpeeled.....	0.20	@	0.25
" Apples.....	0.25	@	0.27
" Cherries.....	0.8	@	0.10
Dressed Hogs.....	0.4	@	0.45
Bacon—Hams, country.....	0.10	@	0.10
Best sugar cured Hams.....	0.10	@	0.10
Butchers' Hams.....	0.10	@	0.10
Breakfast Bacon.....	0.7	@	0.7
Sugar-cured shoulders.....	2.6	@	0.65
Bulk shoulders.....	0.6	@	0.65
" lard, sides.....	0.6	@	0.65
" fat backs.....	0.65	@	0.65
Bacon Hamlets.....	0.65	@	0.7
" Sides.....	0.75	@	0.75
Lard.....	0.12	@	0.125
Smoked Bacon.....	0.12	@	0.125
Sausages—Brown.....	0.5	@	0.55
Off A.....	0.5	@	0.6
Conf. Standard A.....	0.6	@	0.65
Granulated.....	0.65	@	0.75
Coffees—Rio.....	0.21	@	0.22
Java.....	0.24	@	0.26
Molasses B. N.....	0.14	@	0.16
" C. B.....	0.17	@	0.22
New Orleans.....	0.25	@	0.40
Porto Rico.....	0.25	@	0.32
Sugar Syrup.....	0.25	@	0.35
Herring, Eastern, per.....	0.50	@	0.50
Potomac No. 1.....	3.50	@	4.00
Pot. Family No. 2 bbl.....	4.75	@	5.00
Do. 2 half barrel.....	2.50	@	2.75
Potomac Shad.....	8.00	@	8.50
Mackerel, small, per bbl.....	18.00	@	20.00
" No. 3, medium.....	18.00	@	20.00
" No. 3, large fat.....	20.00	@	24.00
" No. 2.....	25.00	@	27.00
Clover Seed.....	4.75	@	5.00
Timothy.....	1.50	@	1.70
Old Process Lined Meal.....	31.00	@	32.00
Plaster, ground, per ton.....	4.75	@	5.30
Ground in bags.....	5.50	@	6.50
Lump.....	3.50	@	3.75
Salt—B. N.....	0.70	@	0.80
Fine.....	1.10	@	1.50
Turk's Island.....	1.25	@	1.30
Wool—Long unwashed.....	0.25	@	0.26
Washed.....	0.30	@	0.32
Merino, unwashed.....	0.20	@	0.22
Do. Washed.....	0.30	@	0.32
Samoa.....	0.70	@	0.75
Hay.....	9.00	@	11.00
Cut do.....	12.00	@	14.00
Wheat Bran 100 lb. cwt.....	21.00	@	22.25
Brown Middlings.....	21.00	@	22.00
White Middlings.....	23.75	@	24.50
Cotton Seed Meal.....	23.25	@	24.00

There was little done in change to-day, and there was no change in prices, the market continuing a firm at above quotations. Country produce is a shade lower, and we revise quotations. Provisions are strong but quiet.

**Baltimore, Dec. 24.**—Cotton nominal; middling 19½; low 18½; high 20½; Western firm; No. 2 winter red spot and Dec 26; Jan 93½; 100½; May 102½; 102½. Corn—Southern fairly active; white a d yellow 55½; 55½; steamer 55½; graded No 2 57½; Western firm; mixed spot and year 57½ for new; Jan 56½; 56½; May 53½; 53½; s. o. m. 53½. Oats dull; ungraded Southern and Penna 45½; do. Western white 40.50; do. mixed 45.40; graded No 2 white 50; do. mixed 49. Rye quiet. Hay steady. Provisions quiet. Sugar quiet.

**CHICAGO, Dec. 24.**—Wheat—Jan 92½; May 97½. Corn—Jan 48½; May 51½. Oats—Jan nominal; May 41½. Pork—Jan 59½; May 510.8½. Lard—Jan 57½; May 56.7½. Short ribs—Jan 49; May 50.

**NEW YORK, Dec. 24.**—Cotton quiet; upland 9.316; Orleans 9½; futures steady. Flour quiet and steady. Wheat quiet and firm. Corn dull and firm. Pork quiet and steady at 10½. Lard dull and easy at 56.

**MINERAL WATERS.**—10 dozen Bedford Water just received; 10 cases Buffalo Lithia. We keep constantly in stock a full supply of Bromine and Arsenic, Oceola, Rockbridge Alum, Hunyadi Janos, Frederickshall and all other well-known mineral waters.

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Another supply of CROWN CARRIAGE GLOSS PAINT, ready for use; only one coat necessary. For sale by

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**FINE CUTLERY** at 328 King street, corner of Royal. Special attention is called to our assortment of fine Scissors, Razors, Pen, Pocket and Table Cutlery. For sale at low prices.

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For gargle, raw wound, bloating and fever, Milk fever and abortion preventively just received and for sale by

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**TOILET AND BRASS SOAP** will remove grease, pitch, varnish, paint, dye or leather stains from the skin or clothing without injury. Price 15 cents. For sale by

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**PERRY'S HAIR OIL SOAP.**

Three sizes—\$1, 50 and 25c sizes; the finest article in the world for hair. For sale by

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If you want to rid your house of Roaches and Water Bugs get out of the CHAMPION TRAP at J. D. H. LUNT'S. Price 25c.

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**DYSPEPSIA CURE.**

Just received a supply of the above celebrated preparation. It never fails. Price 25c. For sale by

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Corner King and Pitt streets.

**PAINT YOUR OWN BUGGY**—Just received the following new line of Colors: Olive Fonce, Ponceau, Ecru, and Jet Black. Call for sample. For sale by

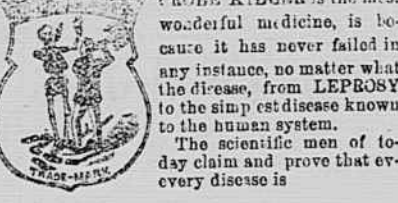
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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24, 1890.

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Your attention is directed to our stock of Holiday Goods, toys, dolls, &c., which we have marked at prices to close them out to-day.

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25 Satin Lined Seal Plush Jackets, latest styles.

Regular price, \$12.50 and \$15.—Marked down to \$10.—

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Fine All-wool Gown in black, satin lined.